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>From ???@??? Sat Mar 1 00:00:34 2003 -0600
Message-Id: <200303010600.h2160T0F026359@sco.theporch.com>
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 2003 00:00:13 CST
From: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: BOATANCHORS digest 3454

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by Smith <smithab11@comcast.net>
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by David Hollander <n7rk@cox.net>

Message-Id: <5.0.0.25.2.20030226230656.023108b0@pop3.citlink.net>
Date: Wed, 26 Feb 2003 23:12:58 -0700
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Paul Beckwith <beckrep@citlink.net>
Subject: Re: SW Radio, did'ja notice?
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Marty AA4RM and Chris AJ1G....

We wish your sons a speedy trip and a safe return, and will keep them in

our prayers.

God Bless.

Paul Beckwith K2LMQ

Message-ID: <3E5E0DF6.70306@cox.net>
Date: Thu, 27 Feb 2003 08:09:10 -0500
From: Mike Hanz <AAF-Radio-1@cox.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: BC348-ART13 Pair
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Postwar patrol aircraft of some type IMO, Jerry, but it's only a guess.

The use of a pipe as the right hand rack support suggests Navy aircraft. Wartime aircraft of pretty much all the armed Services used radio rack structural support members that were brake formed 'L' section aluminum, based on what I see in my photo collection. I've noticed that after the war the Navy started using other kinds of vertical structural pieces (like pipe and box shapes). If Navy, the BC-348 means it is well after the war, because the ARB and/or the RAX-1 suite would have been used instead. Other clues, AIC-3 interphone control box on left - predominantly Navy usage. The lack of insulation on the wall around this control box is curious - no high altitude flights for this bird. Might even be a Coast Guard plane, since they did a lot of surveillance work as well.

The heavily padded seat back was not common on WWII aircraft for the crew positions other than pilot/copilot, but was introduced after the war to ease the discomfort of those long patrol flights. The antenna switching capability above the ART-13 was used quite a bit on Navy patrol aircraft and again suggests a surveillance role. The CU-25 antenna tuner for the ART-13 clearly has a Navy tag configuration on it.

Another hint is the coiled cords - not common during WWII, and the cockpit light is definitely a post WWII type. If I had to guess based on the curvature of the fuselage and all, I'd think PB4Y or perhaps something smaller. It's really hard to tell from just the equipment.

Just my 2 cents,
Mike

Jerry Proc wrote:

> Hello Everyone,
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> I have posted a reduced size, hi-res photo of a BC348

> and ART13 pair. If anyone can identify the rest of the
> aircraft just from the radio operators position alone,
> I would like to hear from you.
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> http://webhome.idirect.com/~jproc/ve3fab/bc348_and_art13.html
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> If anyone wants the full size photo, just drop me a
> note at e-mail: jerry.proc@sympatico.ca

From: "WF2U" <wf2u@starband.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RE: BC348-ART13 Pair
Date: Thu, 27 Feb 2003 08:50:16 -0500
Message-ID: <NABBLNEJDDKECLKHCAAPKEEEINAA.wf2u@starband.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I don't know what aircraft had this particular setup, but my observation is that the key is a Speed-X with a "navy style" knob. Also, the antenna tuner above the ART-13 is a post-WW2 Collins unit, and the nameplate on it looks like a Navy tag.

The BC-348 has a mod tag on in a-la Navy.

73, Meir WF2U
Landrum, SC

> -----Original Message-----
> From: owner-boatanchors@theporch.com
> [mailto:owner-boatanchors@theporch.com]On Behalf Of Chris Bowne
> Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2003 7:27 PM
> To: Old Tube Radios
> Cc: boatanchors@theporch.com
> Subject: Re: BC348-ART13 Pair
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> >From the overall arrangement, it looks like a port side looking forward,
> similar to the B-26 Flak Bait radio operator's position on display at the
> Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, except that the ART-13 is
> installed above
> the 348, instead of a pair of Command Set transmitters and a BC-456
> modulator unit.
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> 73,

> Chris, AJ1G
> Stonington, CT
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Date: Thu, 27 Feb 2003 08:46:27 -0500 (EST)
From: "Marty's Refl. Drop" <polepeeg@aa4rm.ba-watch.org>
Message-Id: <200302271346.IAA06810@aa4rm.ba-watch.org>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: BC348-ART13 Pair

Mike I guessed the Consolidated B24 or B32. Note squarish fuselage rib that was a Consolidated trademark.

I was going to write Jerry back yesterday & say I forgot a big "ART13-class" Consolidated heavy. The 4-motor Coronado like at Pensacola.

Navy critter & used thru early 50s.

Marty

From: "WF2U" <wf2u@starband.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Russian Radios
Date: Thu, 27 Feb 2003 17:55:22 -0500
Message-ID: <NABBLNEJDDKECLKHCAAPAEFGINAA.wf2u@starband.net>
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charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

For those on the list who are interested in the subject of collecting and/or exchanging information on military radios from the former Soviet Union and the Warsaw Pact countries, there is a mailing list
Russianradio@yahoogroups.com
FYI.

73, Meir WF2U

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Message-ID: <412003252821838220@ix.netcom.com>
From: "Richard Humphrey" <n6nae@ix.netcom.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RE: HQ-129X knobs
Date: Thu, 27 Feb 2003 18:18:38 -0800
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I have an HQ-129X with a full set of the original knobs, and I know why they vanished. They stink! They're too small, hard to use, Tonka Toy parts in a Mac truck world. If I were using this set more than casually, I would also toss them (in a plastic bag) and put on some real radio knobs. The originals are all looks and zero utility. Chalk one up to marketing over engineering.

--- Richard Humphrey

--- n6nae@ix.netcom.com

--- EarthLink: It's your Internet.

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Date: Thu, 27 Feb 2003 19:23:27 -0800
From: Arden Allen <gumbear@pacbell.net>
Subject: grace
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Message-id: <004601c2ded8\$fa3b55d0\$dce47443@KB6NAX>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

One of the very few people in the world who knew how to use the airwaves for the benefit of humanity, Fred Rogers just passed. Peaceful journey, Reverend.

Arden Allen
KB6NAX
Vallejo, CA 94590
gumbear@pacbell.net

Date: Fri, 28 Feb 2003 08:15:22 -0500 (EST)
From: "Marty's Refl. Drop" <polepeeg@aa4rm.ba-watch.org>
Message-Id: <200302281315.IAA07939@aa4rm.ba-watch.org>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: boatanchors@theporch.com
Subject: Re: grace

I hope days are more wonderful in his new neighborhood.

But then there might be a military buildup going on there. Western God vs Bhudda.

Mime-Version: 1.0
Message-Id: <p05200f03ba8525e17d60@[132.235.45.112]>
Date: Fri, 28 Feb 2003 10:04:27 -0500
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Richard Post <postr@ohiou.edu>
Subject: RE: HQ-129X knobs
Cc: n6nae@ix.netcom.com
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii" ; format="flowed"

The Hammarlund HQ-129 has long had my vote as the set least likely to be found with original knobs for the reasons Richard Humphrey noted, the knobs are wimpy. I suppose Hammarlund wanted it to be different from the look and feel of the prewar 120 and wartime RBG-2. Hammarlund solved the problem in later iterations of their big box single conversion general coverage sets, the 140 and the 150. Of the series, my favorites are the 120 as the original and the 150 for its excellent Q-multiplier.

The introductory picture of the HQ-129 (November 1945 Radio News) is a strange-looking variation of the 120 with the 120 knobs. Would have been interesting to have listened in on the design contest.

73,
Rich KB8TAD

<<http://switch.to/BA>>

At 6:18 PM -0800 2/27/03, Richard Humphrey wrote:
>I have an HQ-129X with a full set of the original knobs, and I
>know why they vanished. They stink! They're too small, hard to use,

Date: Fri, 28 Feb 2003 12:06:22 -0500
From: Smith <smithab11@comcast.net>
Subject: FT-243 crystals
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Message-id: <001101c2df4b\$b87aec00\$daf22144@dover01.de.comcast.net>
MIME-version: 1.0
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Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Could someone repeat the info on the manufacturer of ham band crystals using the FT-243 holder. I do not want to use a modified HC6 or the standard HC17 for this project.

Thank you

Breck K4CHE

Dover, Delaware,
ann't nutten in Dover, except chickens, a NASCAR track and hams that can't
solder and a lot of snow.

Message-ID: <3E603043.1691F434@cox.net>
Date: Fri, 28 Feb 2003 21:00:02 -0700
From: David Hollander <n7rk@cox.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: For Sale: Various Items
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; x-mac-type="54455854"; x-mac-
creator="4D4F5353"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Here is a bunch of stuff for sale. Prices do not include shipping unless
specified.

Click on the links for pictures.

Still have parts for the:

Hallicrafters SX-96 - chassis parts only
Swan 500C

What do you need?

Hallicrafters SX-96, SX-100, SX-99 Tuning -Bandsread
Dials.....\$35
Excellent condition
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/sx96dials.jpg>

Hallicrafters R-47
Speaker.....\$40
This is a working speaker however it has been painted and has extra
holes on the bottom.
The word "Hallicrafters" is visible under the paint and is the
italicized (slanted lettering)
version which is not shown in the Dachis Hallicrafters book.
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/hallispeaker.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/hallispeaker2.jpg>

URM-25E Signal Generator - US Navy with Manual (copy).....\$135
This well built unit covers 10 kHz to 50 MHz in 8 bands. The

unit has been tested and works great. No accessories
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/urm25e2.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/urm25e3.jpg>

Eimac 4CX250F/G JAN-8621 Tubes - NOS Pair.....\$90
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/4cx250f.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/4cx250f3.jpg>

U.S. Army Signal Corps Flame Proof Key J-5-A.....\$80
Excellent condition
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/flameproofkey.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/flameproofkey2.jpg>

Motorola RF Databook Set.....\$20
Excellent Condition
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/rfdatabooks.jpg>

Omega-T Antenna Noise Bridge.....\$35
Excellent condition in original box
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/omeganoisebridge.jpg>

B&W Model 600 Grid Dip Meter with Manual (copy).....\$50
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/BW6002.jpg>

TU-75A Transmitter Tuning Unit - New in Box!.....\$85
This is a VHF transmitter. The photos show it as found and removed from the box with the dust removed. I have not been able to find any info on this unit. Based on the 4-45 stamped on the box, I believe it is

from W.W.II The unit is untested.
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/tu75a.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/tu75a6.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/tu75a7.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/tu75a5.jpg>

International VHF Converter/Power Supply.....\$25
A home-brew power supply assembly which has an International FCV-2, 2 meter converter, a VFA-1 pre-amp, and a home-brew oscillator. The circuit board on the FCV-2 is cracked. Looks like it is (or was) a tunable VHF converter.
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/hbconverter.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/hbconverter2.jpg>

GenRad W50MBB Variac Autotransformer - appears new - \$350
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/bigvariatic.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/bigvariatic2.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/bigvariatic3.jpg>

Superior Instruments Model 77 VTVM. (3 tube unit with a lighted scale.
Inside looks excellent but needs work) ..\$15
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/superiormeter.jpg>

U.S. Navy LM-13 Frequency Meter
A U.S. Navy LM-13 Heterodyne Frequency Meter covering 125 kHz to 20 MHz.
The unit is in nice
condition but it is untested.....\$20
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/lm13.jpg>
<http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/lm132.jpg>

Heathkit Electronic Switch Model S-2 with original manual....\$25
http://members.cox.net/radiostuff9/heath_switch.jpg

I will ship overseas.

You can check my user ID "n7rk" on Eb*y
for a reference as to dealing with me.

Thanks for looking and 73,

Dave N7RK

Dave N7RK <http://members.cox.net/n7rk>
Phoenix, Arizona *DXCC Honor Roll* *WAZ#23 - 75 Meter SSB*

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